



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **SHIRAI SHI, Masashi et al.**

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For: **A MANUFACTURING METHOD OF HEAD GIMBAL ASSEMBLY**
(As Amended)

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated **November 3, 2005**, please amend the above-identified application as follows: